

REMARKS

Claims 1-5 and 17 are pending in this application. Claims 6-17 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional or continuation applications directed to any canceled subject matter. No new matter has been added by this paper.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants provisionally elect (Type 1a), the method as claimed featuring a poly-addition polymerization reaction between a bi-functional compound having two epoxy groups and a bi-functional compound having two phenolic hydroxy groups. The species is readable on pending claims 1-5 and 17.

It is respectfully submitted that all claims are now in condition for allowance, early notice of which would be appreciated. Should the Examiner disagree, Applicant respectfully requests a telephonic or in-person interview with the undersigned attorney to discuss any remaining issues and to expedite the eventual allowance of the claims.

No fee is believed to be due for the amendments herein. Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any necessary fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17, which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310.

Respectfully submitted,
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